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Attached for filing is the patent application of:

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Entitled: STACKED CERAMIC BODY AND PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF

and including attachments as noted below:

☐ Newly executed Declaration, ☒ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ☒ Abstract
26 pages of specification and claims (including 9 numbered claims), and
12 sheets of accompanying drawing/s.

☐ Record the attached assignment to _____ and return to the undersigned.☐ Attached is a Power of Attorney.☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:**Application Number****Country****Day/Month/Year Filed**

2001-373008

Japan

6 December 2001

, respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application..

☐ Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.☒ Certified copy(ies) filed on Dec. 5, 2002 in prior appln. no. 10/310,062 filed Dec. 5, 2002☐ This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.☒ This application is a ☐ continuation/☒ division/☐ continuation-in-part of Application No. 10/310,062, filed Dec. 5, 2002, now allowed, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.☐ Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency.☒ The prior application is assigned to Denso Corporation, Aichi-pref., Japan.☒ It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached.☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.☒ Please enter the attached preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee:

☒ Also attached: ☒ Information Disclosure Statement; ☐ Non-Publication Request; ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; ☐ Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application; ☐ Other:

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Basic Filing Fee			\$	770.00
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			\$	0.00
Independent claims	2	- 3 (at least 3) =	0	x \$ 86.00
			\$	0.00
If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$290.00 (ignore improper)			\$	290.00
			SUBTOTAL	\$ 1060.00
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